



City of Marietta

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Meeting Minutes PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

*Jim King, Chairperson
Grif Chalfant
Annette Lewis*

Wednesday, May 29, 2013

Council Chamber

Immediately following the Economic/Community Development Committee

Presiding: Jim King

Present: Grif Chalfant, and Annette Lewis

Also Present:

R. Steve Tumlin, Mayor

Johnny Sinclair, Council - Ward 3

G. A. (Andy) Morris - Ward 4

Rev. Anthony Coleman, Council - Ward 5

Philip M. Goldstein, Council - Ward 7

William F. Bruton, Jr., City Manager

Douglas R. Haynie, City Attorney

Stephanie Guy, City Clerk

CALL TO ORDER:

Chairman Jim King called the meeting to order at 5:20 p.m.

20130539

Traffic Calming

Discussion of the next locations for speed hump balloting.

Discussion was held regarding the next locations for speed hump balloting. There was general agreement to move forward with staff recommendation to begin the process for Chestnut Hill Road, Maple Avenue and Bouldercrest Drive.

Discussion was also held regarding the addition of other streets in Marietta where citizens have requested speed humps.

Chairman King allowed Marietta resident Howard Harris to speak regarding the Speed Hump Policy. Mr. Harris expressed concern with the balloting process and other language in the policy that he felt was an error. Staff was asked to review this information and bring back to Committee for further discussion. Staff should also bring back the street map that identifies which streets are arterial, collector and local roads.

Motion to begin design and balloting for speed tables on Chestnut Hill Road, Maple Avenue and Bouldercrest Drive.

The motion was made by Council member Chalfant, seconded by Council member Lewis, that this matter be Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 – 0 – 0

Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda

20130475

Brown Avenue Sidewalk

Request from Council Member Sinclair for a report from staff on Brown Avenue sidewalk.

Staff presented various options to address the challenge of creating a safe crossing across Polk Street to-and-from Westside Elementary School.

Discussion was held. Residents from the area, Thatcher Young and Jen Brown, were allowed to speak regarding this matter.

After further discussion, there was general agreement to move forward with Option 3; Install sidewalk along south side of Polk Street between the requested Brown Avenue sidewalk and Cleburne Avenue so that students can cross to the north side of Polk Street at Cleburne Avenue where there is a multi-way stop control. This requires walking more than 500 feet away from the school to cross and walk back to the school.

Motion approving Brown Avenue Sidewalk Option 3 as presented with the addition of a radius and other improvements to guide pedestrians along sidewalk at Brown Avenue and Polk Avenue intersections.

The motion was made by Council member Lewis, seconded by Council member Chalfant, that this matter be Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 – 0 – 0

Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda

20130540

Reaffirming/Accepting dedicated street, Brown Avenue

Request from Mayor Tumlin for a motion to expressly reaffirm/accept the dedicated street, including the unimproved portion, of “Brown Avenue” pursuant to that certain subdivision plat of Joseph M. Brown as recorded in Cobb County records in 1922.

City Attorney Doug Haynie gave some background information regarding Brown Avenue and presented several older plat maps of the area.

Discussion was held.

Motion to expressly affirm/reaffirm/accept the dedicated street and revoke any act of abandonment and assert title to the dedicated street, including the unimproved portion, of “Brown Avenue” pursuant to that certain subdivision plat of Joseph M. Brown as recorded in Cobb County records in 1922.

The motion was made by Council member Chalfant, seconded by Council member Lewis, that this matter be Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 – 0 – 0

Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda

Chairman King recessed the meeting at 6:24 p.m., and reconvened at 10:02 p.m.

MINUTES:

20130489 Regular Meeting - May 1, 2013

Review and approval of the May 1, 2013 regular meeting minutes.

A motion was made by Council member Lewis, seconded by Council member Chalfant, that this matter be Approved. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 – 0 – 0

Approved

BUSINESS:

20130537 2005 SPLOST TIP Summary

Discussion on the 2005 SPLOST TIP Summary

Reported

20130538 2011 SPLOST TIP Summary

Discussion on the 2011 SPLOST TIP Summary

Reported

20130535 Request to Georgia Department of Transportation (GDOT)

Discussion as to requesting DOT to add an “entrance” to pending reversible lanes adjacent to west side of 75 from Franklin Road that could be tied to “MU2” road from 41 to Franklin which is pending in proposed Bond. This “Design/Build” project is set for a June 10 bid opening and still has flexibility. If this is feasible and advisable, then it is possible that we may still be able to obtain such an entrance and tie to proposed new road.

Discussion was held regarding the concept of adding an “entrance” to pending reversible lanes adjacent to west side of 75 from Franklin Road that could be tied to “MU2” road from 41 to Franklin which is pending in proposed Bond. There was general agreement to discuss this matter further along with the MU2LCI report and Redevelopment Bond projects.

No Action Taken

20130430**Kennestone Hospice Sign**

Request by Kennestone Hospice to place a sign on City of Marietta right of way at the corner of Kennesaw Avenue and Dickson Avenue.

Motion to approve a Revocable Easement Agreement to allow WellStar Hospice to install a monument sign at the intersection of Kennesaw Avenue and Dickson Avenue.

The motion was made by Council member Lewis, seconded by Council member Chalfant, that this matter be Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 – 0 – 0**Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda****20130477****Sidewalks on Henderson Street in front of the YWCA**

Request from Council Person Sinclair to discuss Holly Comer's request that we repair or re-pour the concrete on the sidewalks for Henderson Street in front of her.

Discussion was held regarding the poor condition of sidewalks on Henderson Street in front of the YWCA.

A motion was made by Council member Lewis to direct staff to repair the sidewalks.

Staff mentioned that curb improvements in the area may address the sidewalk issue. The motion was later withdrawn after further discussion.

No action was taken at this time.

No Action Taken**20130541****Transportation Alternatives Projects**

Discussion and selection of projects to submit for Transportation Alternatives funding.

Motion to submit the Rottenwood Creek Trail, Phase I and 2 to the Atlanta Regional Commission for Transportation Alternatives funding.

The motion was made by Council member Lewis, seconded by Council member Chalfant, that this matter be Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 – 0 – 0**Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda**

20130542 WellStar Bridge

Request by WellStar Kennestone Hospital to the City of Marietta for a Pedestrian Bridge Easement crossing over Church Street, north of its intersection with Cherry Street in the City of Marietta.

Discussion was held regarding the request by WellStar Kennestone Hospital to the City of Marietta for a Pedestrian Bridge Easement crossing over Church Street, north of its intersection with Cherry Street.

Concern was expressed regarding the bridge design, which has not been seen, and the location of the supports for the bridge. There was general agreement to allow staff to meet with WellStar to get more information.

This matter was held in Committee for further discussion.

Held in Committee**20130543 Barclay Circle Signage**

Request by Life University to install decorative street signage along Barclay Avenue within the Life University campus.

A motion was made by Council member Lewis, seconded by Council member Chalfant, that this matter be Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 – 0 – 0

Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda

20130544 Waterman Street and Alexander Street Intersection

Discussion of creating an all way stop at the intersection of Waterman Street and Alexander Street.

Motion to approve creating an all way stop at the northern intersection of Waterman Street and Alexander Street.

The motion was made by Council member Lewis, seconded by Council member Chalfant, that this matter be Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda. The motion carried by the following vote:

Vote: 3 – 0 – 0

Recommended for Approval - Consent Agenda

ADJOURNMENT:

The meeting was adjourned at 10:51 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Stephanie Guy, City Clerk

Approved: _____